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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

- 09.15 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel*)
- 11.15 Choral Eucharist / Choral Matins
- 15.15 Choral Evensong

Monday - Friday

- 09.00 Sung Matins (*during school term*)

Monday - Friday

- 11.05 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel on
Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saints' Days and Festivals*)
- 17.30 Choral Evensong / Evening Prayer

Saturday

- 11.05 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel*)

A SHOT FROM THE CANON

Liturgy (the form of words we use in worship) is something we Anglicans are pretty good at doing. The words of the liturgy are shaped by use; like pebbles on a beach they've been rounded by constant praying. Liturgy sets up a dialogue between us and God. It requires listening, as well as singing and speaking. In the Cathedral we're brought closer to God's presence through liturgy and music combining for God's praise and pleasure. So in a nicely circular way, the liturgy offers back to God some of the blessings God has lavished on us. CM

PRAYING WITH THE PREBEND

Jonathan Swift, the most famous Dean of Saint Patrick's, died on 19 October 1745. He is buried at the west end of the Cathedral, and commemorated by a monument and a brass plate; and at an annual service held on the Sunday nearest the anniversary of his death.

'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' (Luke 4: 18).

Heavenly Father,

whose servant Jonathan Swift, as a champion of liberty,
proclaimed your grace and favour;

Grant that, in all our travels, we may earnestly imitate his example,
and declare the truth that you are slow to chide and swift to bless;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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OCTOBER PREACHERS

October 2	The Revd J. MacWhirter	<i>Prebendary of Kilmactalway</i>
October 9	The Revd D. W. Talbot Crooks	<i>Prebendary of Howth</i>
October 16	The Revd G. V. Wharton	<i>Prebendary of Dunlavin</i>
October 23	The Revd B. M. McKay	<i>Prebendary of Clondalkin</i>
October 30	The Very Revd C. McMullan	<i>Prebendary of Finglas</i>

OBITUARY - CECIL GARRETT (GARRY) WALKER

Garry died peacefully at home on 7 September in the company of Hazel and members of his family; he and Hazel had, in July, celebrated the 70th anniversary of their wedding. Garry's contribution to the life of the Cathedral, where he had been baptized and where he worshipped until recent times, was significant. After finding it difficult physically to attend, he became a regular follower of the Cathedral's services through the live streaming. Garry worked tirelessly for the Church at local, diocesan and national level: he was installed an honorary lay canon of Saint Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, in 2004.

He was buried at the Church of Saint John the Evangelist, Coolock, following a funeral conducted by Canon Mullen at which the Dean was the organist, with the Archbishop in attendance. We remember Garry with thankful hearts.

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OBITUARY - ALISON YOUNG

Her many friends in the Cathedral congregation and in the wider Saint Patrick's family were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Alison Young, a most faithful, generous, and dedicated member of the Church, a lady of many fine Christian qualities. Alison, who had been in failing health since sadly suffering a stroke over a year ago, was lovingly cared for by the staff of Brabazon House, led by the director of nursing, Susan Anderson.

As the Dean mentioned in her funeral service, Alison made "an outstanding and tireless contribution to the world of music and singing as a repetiteur – a highly skilled and renowned pianist, organist, conductor, and voice coach – and greatly enriched the lives of her many pupils, and countless others, through her talents and gifts in music. Alison's late husband, Bill, who predeceased her by twenty-one years, had given sterling service as a lay vicar choral in the Cathedral choir as well as being a renowned soloist, particularly in oratorio, and in his boyhood had been a boy treble here.

In Cathedral circles, she will be lovingly remembered as piano accompanist over many years at the annual Christmas party in the Deanery for The Friends of Saint Patrick's Cathedral. On the subject of Alison's gigantic contribution to music and singing, John Dexter, a former Organist and Master of the Choristers, contacted Dean Morton to pay his tribute to Alison:

“Alison was single-handedly responsible for setting a standard for solo singing in Dublin over a period of more than 50 years. I am almost sure she was the last surviving organ pupil of Dr George Hewson. Apart from being an accomplished organist, conductor and pianist with exceptional sight-reading ability, it was her tireless work as a singing coach for which she will be remembered. She largely left the teaching of singing technique to others but she was the first choice of more than one generation of singers to prepare them for performance. This often entailed teaching the notes, the rhythm, the nuances and communication skills.”

Alison’s funeral service served as a wonderful celebration of her life. Taking part with the Dean were Canon Adrian Empey, Chaplain of Brabazon, Canon Adrienne Galligan, Rector of Rathfarnham, and the Reverend Eugene Griffin, a former pupil of Alison and a former lay vicar choral of Saint Patrick’s. The address was given by Alison’s son, Ian. The Choir, under the direction of Mr Stuart Nicholson, with Organist, Mr David Leigh, sang choral items chosen by the family, and taking part also were Alison’s granddaughter, Jane, who performed a work on the cello, and Imelda Drumm who sang an aria.

Alison’s mortal remains were interred beside those of her late husband in the Cathedral churchyard.

Sincere condolences are expressed to her family.



Bill and Alison Young

CULTURE NIGHT

On the night of 23rd September 2022, Culture Night returned to the Cathedral for its first 'normal' outing since the pandemic. The Cathedral was open to visitors after Evensong, with free admission being the most likely incentive for the crowds. Approximately 2,000 people visited us that evening: many simply walked around and experienced the magnificent beauty of holiness in this place, whilst others were able to partake in various activities taking place throughout the evening.

We owe a huge debt of thanks to our magnificent volunteers, who, throughout the evening, undertook various tours of the building. Groups were leaving every 10 minutes on expertly guided tours, which, though shorter than usual, were no less interesting.

A special highlight was a tour scripted and produced by Alice Coughlan. She and another actor led multiple groups on a special tour, focussing on Jonathan Swift and his life and legacy, in and around the Cathedral.

For many, the highlight of the evening was a concert given by members of the Vicars Choral (Sarah Thursfield, Morgan Crowley, Ernest Dines, and Clark Brydon), featuring sacred and secular songs in the beautiful surroundings of the Lady Chapel. With music from Tallis to Rutter and from Palestrina to Sullivan, there was something for everyone at the end of a busy week.

We had visitors of all ages from all over the world visiting. Though the adults were engaged with tours and concerts, the children were not left unoccupied either. The Discovery Space in the South Transept was filled with activities for

our younger visitors: brass rubbings, mindful colouring books, treasure trails, listening stations, and the newly-updated interactive touch screen, with quizzes and games, as well as opportunities to delve into some interesting archival material.

Around the Cathedral, we had a selfie stand: a life-size cut-out of Jonathan Swift, with a hole for your own face. This proved popular amongst visitors and staff alike!

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CULTURE NIGHT



Among those who attended Culture Night celebrations in Saint Patrick's was Mr Adrian LeHarivel from The National Gallery of Ireland, who is pictured with Dean Morton and the Cathedral's marketing office, Louise Donnelly.

SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Pictured at the service marking the opening term for the Cathedral Schools are, left to right, the Chaplain of Saint Patrick's Cathedral Grammar School, Canon David Oxley, Dean Morton, Mr Jack Chamber TD, Minister of State for Gaeltacht Affairs and Sport, guest of honour, and Mr Tim Gill, Headmaster of the Grammar School.



WHAT'S ON at SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Monday 31 October 7.30pm Saint Patrick's *After Dark*

Join us this Halloween for another candlelit recital of suitably chilling music in aid of **BUMBLEANCE**, the children's ambulance service. Programme includes Bach's *Tocatta and Fugue in D minor* and Saint-Saens' *Danse Macabre*.

www.stpatrickscathedral.ie/afterdark22

Saturday 26 November 7.30pm Hewson Memorial Recital

This year marks not one anniversary but three. It is the 50th anniversary of the death of George Hewson, organist & master of the choristers 1920-60) to whom these recitals have been given in memory of for many years. It is also the 120th anniversary of the installation of the mighty Willis organ in the Cathedral and finally the 25th anniversary of the appointment of David Leigh as Organist at Saint Patrick's.

www.stpatrickscathedral.ie/hewson22

Friday 16 December 7.30pm Handel by Candle

Saint Patrick's Cathedral Choir has a long association with MESSIAH, so join us this Christmas for an opportunity to enjoy part one of this great work performed by the choristers and lay vicars of this world renowned choir. The second half includes carols for choir and audience and other festive treats.

www.stpatrickscathedral.ie/candle22

CHRISTMAS at SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Music is at the heart of Worship at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. At *Advent* and *Christmas* the Church uses music to help worship soar. It also enables us to express what we want to say to God for the birth of his Son, Jesus, in the stable at Bethlehem. All are welcome to worship with us.

27 November 6.00pm Advent Carol Service

11 December 3.15pm Carols for All

18 December 3.15pm Nine Lessons & Carols

24 December 4.00pm Nine Lessons & Carols

25 December 11.15am Christmas Day Eucharist

www.stpatrickscathedral.ie/christmas22

THE MOZART GROUP



FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER

7.30PM SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL
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TICKETS FROM €5

AVAILABLE AT WWW.STPATRICKSCATHEDRAL.IE/EVENTS

We are thrilled to welcome, in their Republic of Ireland debut, the comedy quartet The MozART Group! Art meets comedy in this incredible show which is guaranteed to bring joy and laughter to the whole family! All four gentlemen of the MozART group are well educated instrumentalists who graduated from prestigious Academies of Music in Warsaw and Łódź, but they decided to play classical music in a humorous way. The MozART group created a worldwide unique musical cabaret playing to packed-out arenas globally, where the music, not the words, are the source of joy and laughter. Tickets are available now! Don't miss out on a great evening in an idyllic location!

THE INSTALLATION OF CANON PIERPOINT



Canon Pierpoint with his brother, Revd. Nigel Pierpoint and the Dean.



Canon Pierpoint with his Chapter colleagues

QUEEN ELIZABETH II - SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE



Tommie Gorman, British Ambassador Paul Johnston and his wife Nicola, Archbishop Michael Jackson, Archbishop Dermot Farrell, The Dean and Bryan Dobson

Choral Evensong on 9 October was an Irish response from the Church of Ireland's National Cathedral to the contribution of the late Queen Elizabeth in terms of reconciliation and healing relationships between Ireland and the UK. It was attended by the two Archbishops of Dublin, Archbishop Michael Jackson and Archbishop Dermot Farrell, who read the lessons and gave a joint blessing at its conclusion. Also present was Col Stephen Howard, Aide de Camp to the President, the British Ambassador to Ireland, Paul Johnston, and the Ambassadors of Monaco, Romania, Palestine and Norway.

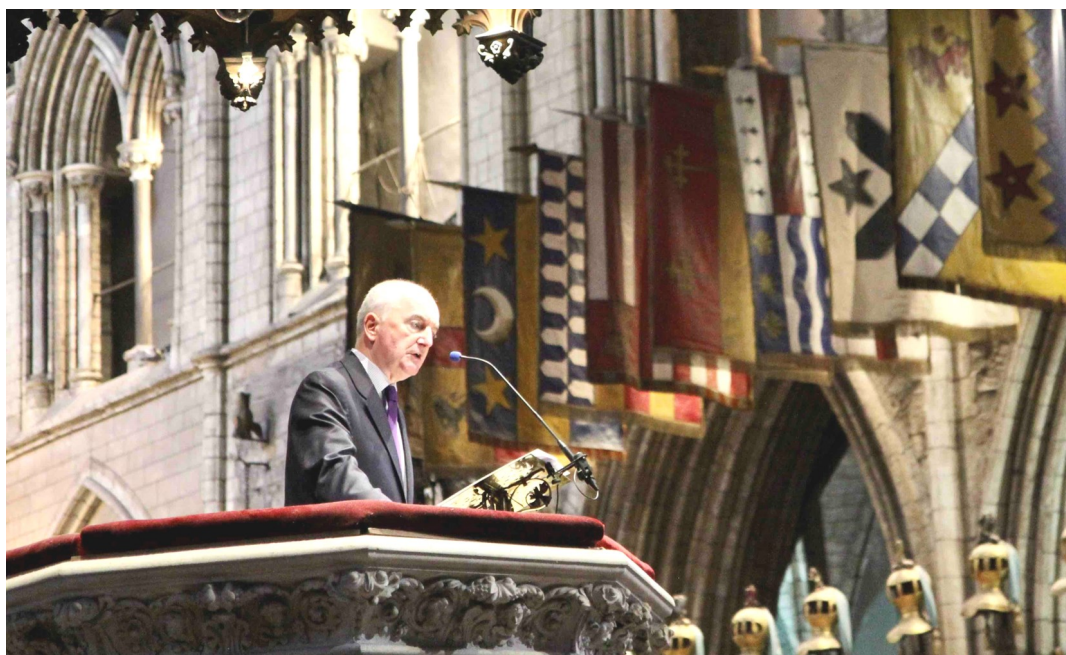
The service was also attended by members of the Huguenot Society who gather in St Patrick's Cathedral annually to commemorate their ancestors who worshiped in the Lady Chapel. A Huguenot prayer was said by Marie Leoutre, chair of the society. Prayers were also offered for the community of Creeslough in County Donegal and all affected by the tragedy that occurred in the village on Friday and there were also prayers for peace.

The service was led by Dean William Morton and Tommie Gorman opened his address by acknowledging the important reconciliation work he did as Dean of St Columb's Cathedral in Derry during a fragile time in the peace process.

In his address, which was greeted with applause at its conclusion, Mr Gorman spoke of the fascinating thread of connections woven in Ireland by the late British monarch.



Archbishop Dermot Farrell and Archbishop Michael Jackson jointly give the blessing at the end of the service.



Tommie Gorman delivering the address.

SAFEGUARDING TRUST

The Safeguarding Handbook, as well as Safeguarding Trust, can be viewed on the Cathedral website. If you have a general enquiry or any concern relating to safeguarding at Saint Patrick's Cathedral please telephone the office on 01-453 9472. The Dedicated Liaison Person (Acting) is Clark Brydon. If you recognise a safeguarding emergency in which a child or vulnerable adult is in danger, Tusla Child and Family Agency can be contacted on 01 856 6856.

WILL US WELL

When making, or amending, your Will please consider including a legacy bequest to the Cathedral. If you are interested in supporting us in this way, let your solicitor or Will-writer know that you wish to make provision for the Cathedral in your Will. For more information please contact the Cathedral Administrator, Mr Gavan Woods.

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